

FlipIt

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Abstract

Ideal cryptography systems are based on a secret, a key, however advanced Persistent Threat (APT) have undermined secure protocols. *FlipIt* [1], [2] is a recent two-player game between an attacker and defender. It provides a simple and elegant framework to formalize their interactions and allows the description of practical threats.

We propose a variant of FlipIt, a two-player game where players compete to control a shared resource. Players can move at any given time, taking control of the resource. However the identity of the player controlling the resource is not revealed until a player actually moves. We consider that the average move rate by player is bounded, the number of moves made by player up to an including time can not be greater than a constant times this time.

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1 Formal Definition and Notation

This section gives a formal definition of the variant of FlipIt.

Players There are two players identified with 0 and 1. Keep the game symmetric between the two players will be useful for our studies.

Time The game begins at time $t = 0$ and continues indefinitely. It is viewed as being continuous.

Game state $C(t)$ denotes the current player controlling the resource at time t , $C(t)$ is either 0 or 1.

2 Playing periodically

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